STATE OF ILLINOIS



ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION

December 1, 2003

Mr. Larry Jones Administrative Law Judge Illinois Commerce Commission 527 East Capitol Avenue Springfield, IL 62701

> RE: Docket No. 03-0455/03-0550 CIWC Hawthorn Cert.

Dear Judge Jones:

Please be advised that the Staff of the Illinois Commerce Commission ("Staff") will not be filing a Brief on Exceptions in the above referenced docket. Staff's position and proposed alternative language are fully set out in the Response to Consumers Illinois Water Company's Verified Amended Petition and Request for Expanded Temporary Certificate filed on October 30, 2003 and in the Corrected Draft Second Interim Order with Staff's Comments filed on November 19, 2003.

Staff has electronically mailed a copy of this letter to those identified on the enclosed service list for the convenience of the parties in this docket.

Sincerely,

Janis E. Von Qualen

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Staff Attorney

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Elizabeth A. Rolando, Chief Clerk CC:

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